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**CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
Office of Current Intelligence
16 February 1963**

DAILY REPORT

SUBJECT: US Reconnaissance Activity over Cuba

1. Today's Schedule (16 February)

- a. Missions: BRASS KNOB 3426, off at 0455 EST.
- b. Purpose : 3426 to cover central and western Cuba.
- c. Weather : Generally heavy cloud cover over most of the island with little change today or tomorrow.
- d. IPIR due: 18 February 1963.

2. Yesterday's Activity (15 February)

- a. Missions
 flown : BRASS KNOB 3424, pilot estimates only 15% coverage; BRASS KNOB 3425, pilot estimates only 15% coverage.
- b. IPIR due: 17 February 1963.
- c. Reaction: No significant Cuban air defense reaction to BRASS KNOB flights noted; however, two jet fighters reacted to a QUICK FOX reconnaissance mission on 15 February. No hostile intent was noted and interception was probably for purpose of identification only.

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3. Shipping Summary

**a. Soviet Bloc ships confirmed en route to Cuba
1600 EST 15 February:**

Tankers	5
Passenger	2
Dry Cargo	<u>12</u>
Total	19

**b. Soviet Bloc ships in Cuban ports 1600 EST
15 February:**

Tankers	4
Passenger	0
Dry Cargo	<u>31</u>
Total	35

**c. Dry cargo ships now in Cuban ports which were
photographed while inbound to Cuba by low altitude or
surface cameras: 28**

**d. Of the 28 dry cargo ships photographed inbound
to Cuba, CIA has received photos of 20.**

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BRASS KNOB COVERAGE OF COMOR HIGHEST PRIORITY TARGETS IN CUBA

During 8-14 February 1963

Targets	Dates							Totals	
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Sorties	Days Covered
1. Siguanea Cruise Missile Site								0	0
2. Banes Cruise Missile Site			1	1		1		3	3
3. Santa Cruz del Norte Cruise Site	3	1	1	1				6	4
4. Camilo Cienfuegos Airfield			1	1				2	2
5. Camaguey Airfield				1				1	1
6. Holguin Airfield			1	1				2	2
7. San Antonio de los Banos Airfield	3	2	1	1				7	4
8. Mariel Naval Base	2	4*	1	1	1			9	5
9. Banes Naval Base			1	1		1		3	3
10. Cienfuegos Naval Base				1	1			2	2
11. Santiago de Cuba Port			1					1	1
12. La Isabella Port			1	2	1			4	3
13. Caibarien Port			1	1	1			3	3
14. Cardenas Port	2			1	2			5	3
15. Casilda Port					1			1	1
16. Matanzas Port	2	2	1	1	1			7	5
17. Havana Port	3	2	1	1				7	4
18. Guantanamo Area			1	1				2	2
19. Pinar del Rio Military Camp				1				1	1
20. Artemisa Military Camp	1	3*	1	1				6	4
21. Holguin Military Camp			1	1				2	2
22. Remedios Military Camp			1	1				2	2
23. Santiago de los Vegas Military Camp	3	3*	1	1				8	4
24. Lourdes (Torrens) Army Camp	3	1	1	1				6	4
25. Limonar Military Camp	2		1	1	1			5	4
26. Camaguey Military Camp							1	1	1
27. Mayari Arriba U/I			1					1	1
28. Managua Staging Area	2	2	1	1				6	4
29. Bejucal Staging Area	3	2	1	1				7	4
30. Manicaragua Staging Area				1				1	1

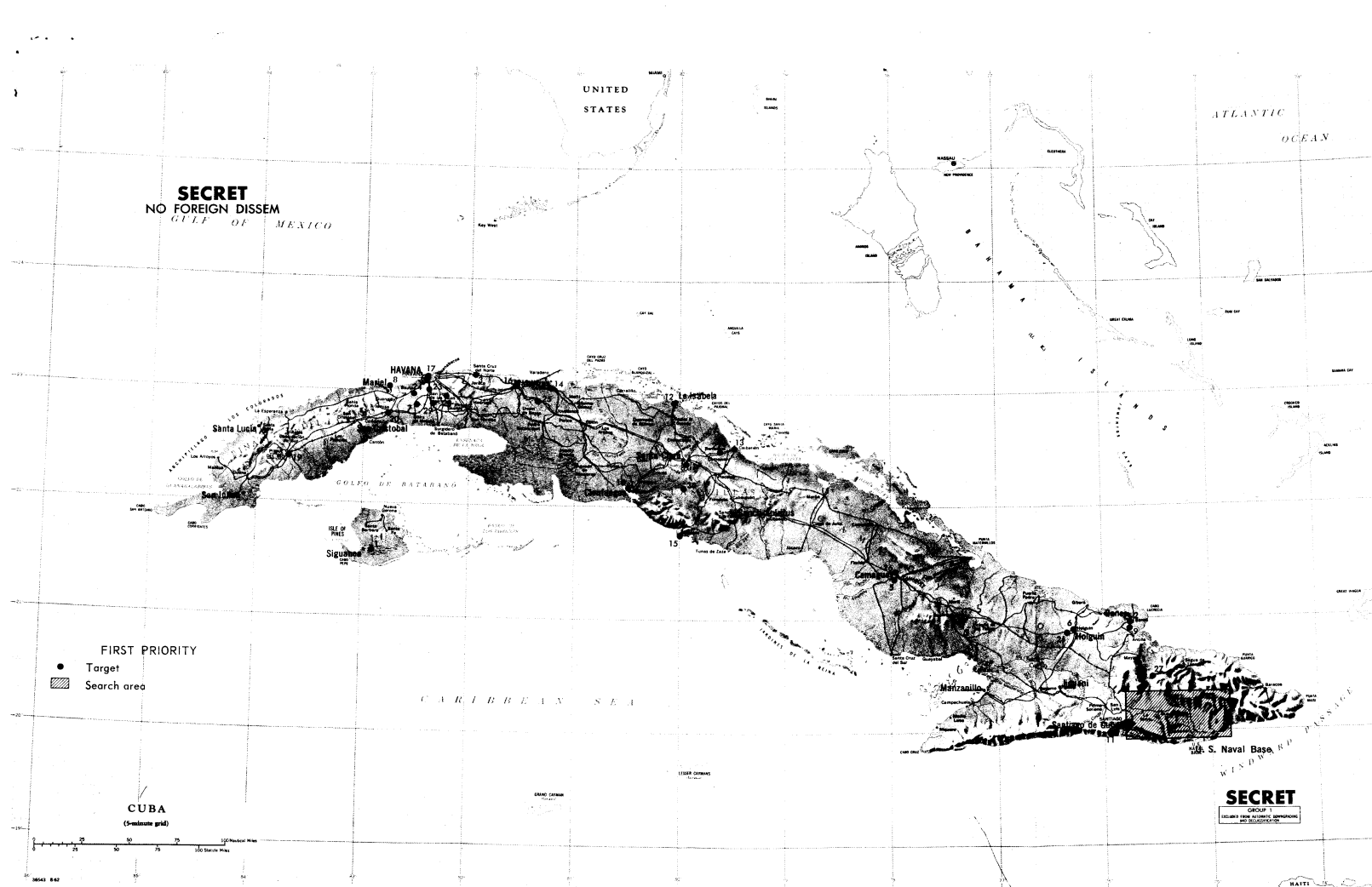
* Covered by PEG LEG Missions

During 8-14 February 1963, 74.3 percent of the total land area of Cuba was covered. Of the total land area, 52.8 percent was covered by highly usable photography.

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